

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Divisional Application of U.S. Serial No. 09/621,140:

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Group Art Unit: **2826 (expected)**

Serial No.: NEW

Examiner: **Minhloan T. TRAN (expected)**

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For. LASER DEVICE

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Date: February 12, 2004

Sir:

This is a Preliminary Amendment for the above-captioned Rule 1.53(b) Divisional application. Please amend this Rule 1.53(b) Divisional application as follows:

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 2 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including replacement/substitute figure sheets are attached to this paper.